Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 10 Feb 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 11 Feb 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 10 Feb 2023 at 03:22 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for clearance of persistent rain in the west on Friday. High for settled and dry weather over the weekend and early next week

Headline for Friday 10 Feb 2023: Very windy and cloudy with some rain in the west

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 10 Feb 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
40%	60%	60%	50%	50%	40%

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Weather: Cloudy with rain turning heavier and persistent for a time across the west through the morning before turning light and patchy in the afternoon, but there's a chance it may remain wet across Skye and Lochaber through the afternoon and early evening. Much drier conditions expected across Caithness and Easter Ross.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30%, best chance across the sheltered east towards the Moray Firth

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud between 500 and 800 metres expected through the day, although some breaks possible across the east especially in the afternoon

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	57/67 SW	53/63 SW	48/59 SW	40/50 SW	39/49 W	39/50 W	40/51 W
900	55/64 SW	50/60 SW	44/55 SW	38/48 SW	37/47 W	36/47 W	37/48 W
600	38/48 SW	34/45 SW	30/41 SW	26/37 SW	25/36 SW	24/35 W	25/36 W
300	11/48 SW	10/44 SW	9/38 SW	9/35 SW	10/35 W	8/33 W	9/34 W
Glen	19/37 SW	17/36 SW	14/32 SW	14/31 SW	14/30 SW	14/30 W	14/30 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	2/-7	2/-7	3/-5	4/-4	4/-4	4/-3	4/-3
900	3/-6	3/-5	4/-4	4/-2	4/-2	5/-2	4/-2
600	5/-2	5/-1	6/-0	6/1	6/1	6/1	6/1
300	6/3	7/4	7/5	8/5	8/5	7/5	7/5
Glen	9/5	9/6	9/6	10/6	10/7	9/6	9/6
Freezing Level*	1400m	1500m	2000m	1700m	1600m	1800m	2100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note rising freezing level with some thaw of any fresh snow. Windy at all levels with a risk of being blown over, gusts to 70 mph across the higher tops

Forecast for Saturday 11 Feb 2023
Weather: Some patchy light rain for a time in the early hours. Otherwise a mainly dry day although with a lot of cloud, the odd light shower still possible

Maximum wind: Westerly winds gusting 35 to 45 mph on the tops

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%

Low cloud and visibility: Areas of cloud down to 700 to 900 metres

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 rising to 10 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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